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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In reply to the Office Action dated June 6, 2002, the period for reply having been extended for 1 month by a request for extension and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Replace the paragraph added by amendment before the first line on page 1 on October 12, 2000, with the following paragraph:

This is a continuation of application Serial No. PCT/GB99/01136, filed April 14, 1999.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 43, 52, 55-57, and 59-63 without prejudice, and amend claims 42, 44-49, and 53 as follows:

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